USSN 10/447.243 Restriction Requirement dated 4 Jan 2006 Response dated 13 Jan 2006

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The Restriction action dated 4 January 2006 required election between claim groups I-

IV. Applicants herein elect claim group III, including claims 6-13, drawn to a method of inhibiting

pain or nociceptin with an agent capable of modulating NMUR2 activity. Accordingly, non-

elected claims 1-5 and 14-16 are cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer.

Claim group III is subject to a species elections for initial search purposes. Applicants

elect chronic pain resulting from injury to the body. Claims 6-13 read upon the elected species.

Conclusion

It is believed that this document is fully responsive to the Restriction requirement raised

in the Restriction action dated 4 January 2006. In light of the above amendments and remarks,

it is believed that the claims are now in condition for allowance, and such action is respectfully

urged.

**Fees** 

It is believed that no fee is due with the submission of this response. In the event it is

determined that a fee is due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account

Number 18-0650 for the amount of that fee.

Respectfully submitted

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